GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5291
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DISAPPEARANCE OF EXPLOSIVE FROM SECL
C. SREENIVAASAN;PUTTASWAMY GOWDA

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a): whether a huge quantity of explosives meant for South-Eastern Coalfields Ltd., mysteriously disappeared recently;

(b): if so, the details thereof;

(c): whether the explosives are transported under tight security;

(d): if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(e): whether any inquiry has been conducted into this matter; and

(f): if so, the details thereof and the outcome thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR COAL (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN)

(a): No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) & (d) It has been reported by Coal India Limited that fromexplosive factory to unit magazine (of SECL)the responsibility of transport of explosive remains with the supplier. From Magazine to consumer unit (Mine) the transport of explosive is done under adequate security.

(e) & (f) On the basis of a news item published in a local newspaper regarding missing of challans and explosives, an enquiry was conducted by Korba area of SECLand it was revealed that challans in respect of Rajgamar colliery are missing. After detailed enquiry it was established that no explosives were issued against the missing challans, a set of fresh challan was issued to regularize the supplies and the records.